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TO USMISSION GENEVA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: SOVIET REFUGEES

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1. APPRECIATE EMBASSY BRUSSELS EFFORTS AND GOB APPROVAL OF ENTRY INTO BELGIUM OF KHMELEVSKI FAMILY.

2. RE ONWARD TRAVEL PARA 2 REFTEL. BECAUSE OF WIFE'S MEMBERSHIP IN CPSU, THERE MAY BE PROBLEMS WITH POSSIBLE ENTRY INTO US. HOWEVER, THIS CANNOT BE DETERMINED UNTIL PROCESSING FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY, SECURITY CHECKS AND SECRET

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INTERVIEW BY INS OFFICER. FURTHER, KHMELEVSKI IS

APPARENTLY STILL UNDECIDED ABOUT ULTIMATE COUNTRY OF RE-
SETTLEMENT. AT PRESENT WE SEE THREE ALTERNATIVES: (A)
KHMELEVSKI MIGHT TRAVEL TO PARIS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THERE
ARE POSSIBLE OTHER ASSIGNMENTS AVAILABLE THROUGH UNESCO.
AS SOON AS EMBASSY BRUSSEL CONFIRMS THAT KHMELEVSKI S HAVE
ARRIVED BRUSSELS AND ARE IN SAFE HANDS, REQUEST EMBASSY
PARIS EXPLORE THIS ALTERNATIVE WITH UNESCO HEADQUARTERS
INCLUDING POSSIBLE ARRANGEMENTS FOR KHMELEVSKIS TO ENTER
FRANCE FOR CONSULTATION. (B) KHMELEVSKI AND FAMILY COULD
BE PROCESSED FOR RESETTLEMENT UNDER US REFUGEE PROGRAM
(USRP) IN COUNTRIES OTHER THAN BELGIUM, INCLUDING US. VOL-
UNTARY AGENCY IN BRUSSELS CAN ASSIST IN ARRANGING NECESSARY
DOCUMENTATION. GENEVA IS REQUESTED PROVIDE BRUSSELS WITH
NAME OF APPROPRIATE VOLAG. SUCH PROCESSING IS LIKELY TO
TAKE SOME TIME. IF GOB DESIRES FAMILY TO LEAVE BEFORE
RESETTLEMENT EFFORT COMPLETED, REQUEST GENEVA ARRANGE
THROUGH UNHCR OR ICEM FOR ADMISSION INTO ANOTHER WESTERN
EUROPEAN COUNTRY FOR COMPLETION OF RESETTLEMENT
PROCESSING. (C) RESETTLEMENT BY UNHCR DIRECTLY. GENEVA
MIGHT WISH COMMENT ON THIS AVENUE. RUSH

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